REMARKS

In the Office action mailed on January 19, 2006, claims 8-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 and on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-10 of U.S. Patent No. 6,214,148. The specification was objected to because the Office action states there no disclosure as to the use of a hinged assembly as defined in claim 12 nor is there any disclosure of applying a pressure of 10,000 pounds of pressure. Claim 12 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, for failing to provide a written description of the recited "hinge structure".

Applicant respectfully disagrees with the grounds for rejecting original claims 8-15. However, for purposes of advancing prosecution, while reserving all rights to present the original claims for further prosecution in a continuation application, applicant is submitting a new independent claim 16 and various dependent claims directed to a preferred manufacture method described in the application. The support for the new claims can be found in the specification on page 6, lines 9-17, and in Figures 2 and 7.

None of the prior art of record in any combination teaches or suggests a method of producing a wood product including a sheet bonded over one or more steps by positioning a core, sheet and profiling piece between platens, and actuating the platens in perpendicular directions simultaneously. Further, none of the prior art of record in any combination teaches methods of producing polymer clad window frames, door jambs, etc., as recited in the new claims.

The double-patenting rejection should be withdrawn in view of the new set of claims because the claims are patentably distinct over claims 1-10 of U.S. Patent No. 6,214,148.

The objection to the specification, and rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112 are moot in view of the deleted claims.

Applicant believes all the claims are in condition for allowance. If there are any additional issues to address, please contact applicant's attorney.

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